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Dear Sir:

The following remarks are submitted in response to the Communication from the Examiner dated March 23, 2010. The Examiner stated that the Appeal Brief filed on March 12, 2010 is defective because the brief does not contain a concise explanation of the subject matter defined in each of the independent claims involved in the appeal, referring to the specification by page and line number and to the drawings, if any, by reference characters; and/or (b) the brief fails to: (1) identify, for each independent claim involved in the appeal and for each dependent claim argued separately, every means plus function and step plus function under 35 U.S.C. § 112, sixth paragraph, and/or (2) set forth the structure, material, or acts described in the specification as corresponding to each claimed function with reference to the specification by page and line number, and to the drawings, if any, by reference characters (37 CFR 41.37(c)(1)(v)).

Specifically, "...in Section V, Summary of Claimed Subject Matter: The brief does not identify independent claim(s) (1 and 13) and show which page and line number(s) or paragraph number(s) of the specification and drawings, if any, they are being matched to the brief..."

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Attached is an Amended Brief in which the objections are believed to have been addressed.

The fee for filing an appeal brief was paid on March 8, 2010, therefore, it is believed that no additional fee is due. In the event an additional fee is due, please charge Deposit Account No. 13-3723.

Respectfully submitted,

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